

REMARKS

I. **STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND THE REJECTIONS**

Claims 1–10, 12, 14, and 15 are pending in the application.

According to the Advisory Action, the rejection of claims 1–8 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) for being unpatentable over a section of the Petroleum Products Handbook, pages 4–8 to 4–37 ("Petroleum Products Handbook") is maintained. It is stated, however, that claims 9, 10, 12, 14, and 15 would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment cancelling the rejected claims.

By this amendment, claims 1–8 have been cancelled thereby rendering the rejection over the Petroleum Products Handbook moot. Applicant has amended claim 10 to recite "of" to improve readability. No section 112 issues are created by this amendment.

II. CONCLUSION

Based on these claim amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully asserts that this case is in condition for allowance and respectfully requests entry and allowance of the pending claims.

Applicant respectfully asserts that no additional fee is due. If any charges or credits are necessary to complete this communication, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,
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